

## ALLIES TO USE LIBERTY MOTORS

Thousands of American Built Engines Sought by British and French.

Washington, May 14.—American-built liberty motors may first reach the fighting lines in France driving French and British scouts. It was learned tonight that urgent requests for early delivery of the American engine have been received from the allies and are being met. Shipments have already been made to Great Britain and there are intimations that General Pershing approves diverting additional motors to meet French and British requirements, even if further delay to production of American scouts results.

The British, it is said, after a careful investigation of the engine by a special expert sent over for that purpose, has been pressing steadily for some thousands of motors. French experts, at first somewhat doubtful of the motor, are now asking for and will receive engines by July 1. Difficulties with overheating, alleged in a letter from Louis Camman read in the senate yesterday to make the liberty motor useless, are declared authoritatively, to have been overcome.

Radiator trouble was encountered particularly when machines which had been operated successfully in northern latitudes were taken south for tests. These have been corrected, it is stated, and the lubrication system of the engine improved to the point where no further trouble on that score is anticipated.

To support their view that the day of delays in aircraft production are over, officials point to the fact that last month saw "liberties" delivered in hundreds, and to present indications that the output will be doubled this month and steadily increased thereafter. The output last month so far as known here was greater than that of any foreign motor with the possible exception of one of 130-horse power type used in France. No high-power motor, approaching the liberty 450 figure, was within sight of the American output. It was to reach that end in quantity production, it was declared that the Liberty was designed.

Another phase of the dispute about the success of the liberty motors promised to be settled soon by actual trial. That is its availability for use in single seated fighting machines. Two machines of this type, one a seaplane, have been designed and built in this country and will be ready for trial at an early date. They represent the first efforts ever made seriously to place such high power in single seated, short winged, speed machines.

There were several developments today in the aircraft situation. John D. Ryan, director general of production for the army, and chairman of the aircraft board, made his first directing move by announcing the appointment of Archer A. Landon, vice president of the American Radiator Company of Buffalo, N. Y., to have charge of the production division.

Preparations were made for launching the senate military committee's new investigation. Senators Thomas and Thompson called on President Wilson to discuss the plans and Senator Hitchcock also talked over the aviation situation with the president.

Officials connected with the air program expressed the hope today that the senate committee when it is appointed, will go to the factories and flying fields to find out for itself what has been done and what present conditions are.

### Fair Mount News.

We are still having cool weather and plenty of rain and most farmers are planting their corn over.

Mose Bishop papered for John Seider one day last week.

The pie supper at Fair Mount school Wednesday night was well attended but most everybody got scared out by the wind before it was over with. Miss Lydia Rapp got the cake for the most popular young lady. The Prairie City band played. A nice little sum was taken in which went to the Red Cross.

The wind storm last Wednesday night did quite a bit of damage to trees and little out buildings.

Miss Hilda Rapp helped Mrs. John Seider clean house last week.

This vicinity was very much surprised last Thursday evening when an airplane flew by.

Johnnie Rapp and Mickle Seider called on Frank Rapp and family Saturday night.

Miss Esther Vogt of Schell City visited with her sister, Mrs. Fred Schmidt.

Some of the young folks were at the Joe Fleischer home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Vogt, jr., and baby took dinner Sunday with her parents, C. M. Rapp and family.

Frankie Bolte visited Friday afternoon with his friend, Freddie Rapp.

Mr. and Mrs. John Marquardt took Sunday dinner with their son, Johnnie Marquardt, and family.

Joe and Charley Bracher, John Yoss and Fischer took stock to the Doerflinger pasture Sunday.

Mrs. Schellman and daughter, Nettie, and Miss Hilda Rapp spent Sunday afternoon at the Wm. Bolte home.

Clara Fischer is staying with her uncle, Albert Fischer and family at present.

Paul, Mollie, Lena and Albert Fischer, Ella and Arthur Bolte, at the home.

Walter and Hilda Rapp and Fred Vogt, jr., wife and baby spent a very enjoyable evening Sunday at the C. M. Rapp home.

This whole community was shocked last Tuesday morning when the news spread like a flash that Mrs. Reynolds, wife of Dr. W. B. Reynolds, died at her home in Prairie City of heart trouble. She was buried Thursday morning in the Eddies graveyard. A very large crowd was present to pay their last respects to the dead one. She was thirty-four years old. She leaves a husband, father and five brothers. Her relation, especially the Doctor, have our greatest sympathy in their great loss and sad bereavement.

PRISCILLA.

### On the Wing.

Charley Boling had a sick horse one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oldham spent Sunday with his brother, Grant Oldham.

Miss Leona Hedger visited with her brother, Marion, last week.

Charley Henderson was in Butler Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hockett were shopping in Amsterdam Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Butler were trading in Amoret Monday.

Misses Mabel and Jessie Heckadon visited their grandma Boling Sunday.

Jim Gregory and Jim Norman are shucking fodder for Mr. Peterson.

Geo. Butler had a sick cow Sunday afternoon. Dr. J. G. Hays was sent for and he responded at once with his drenching bottle.

Sam Malone, with his auto and old Nelse took shelter in W. W. Park's new barn Sunday evening out of the storm. There was some hail in it.

Cyrus Nestlerode has a riding grindstone. I wish he would get it together and break it to ride so I could take a ride on it. My ax needs sharpening.

Mrs. A. E. M. Hedger received a card Monday from her son Frank R., better known as "Crickett", saying he had arrived safely in France.

Harry French and son John have the measles.

Quite a number have received invitations to the commencement exercises at Butler High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Oldham were in Amsterdam Tuesday.

Roy Schesler is called in the draft Friday.

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### Country Happenings.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rector and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sargent called at the Marsh Brown home Sunday afternoon.

Miss Icie Wigger has been quite sick.

Mrs. Della Chitwood spent Wednesday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. C. W. Rector.

Mrs. Gabriel and daughter, Lena, spent Sunday night with Mrs. S. L. Keen.

T. Anderson and family spent Sunday at Jake Frey's.

Will Foster assisted Will Wigger with plowing one day last week.

Will Cole purchased a cow of Claud Quick last week.

Miss Goldie Wigger entertained the following to dinner Sunday: Misses Pearl Jones and Sadie Beard, John and Everett Sutherland and Ray Phinney.

Otho West, of Butler, visited last week at the Geo. Keen and Jim Evans homes.

Jake Frey has coal for sale at his bank south of Hudson.

DAISY.

### Merwin Items.

We are having some fine sunshine and showers.

Glen Shockey and wife came down from Kansas City Tuesday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shockey.

Mrs. Pernesa Bailey and little daughter went to Drexel Sunday.

Mrs. Della Kinser and children of Amsterdam are visiting at the James Harrison home.

Esther Ritchey went to Amsterdam Saturday returning home Sunday.

Mildred Morris came down from Kansas City for a visit with her father, Jud Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Ritchey and Eunice Harris went to Drexel Saturday.

Ruth Young returned home from Amsterdam Saturday.

Mrs. Jake Riley is very sick at this writing.

Mrs. Lucinda King of Adrian is visiting W. I. Lewis.

A large oil drill was shipped to Merwin last week. They will drill on the farm of Howard McPherson, four miles northeast of Merwin.

Kansas Boys for the National Army Pass Through Butler.

Twelve members of the selective draft from Lynn county, Kansas, spent Sunday afternoon in this city. They arrived on the Inter-State and spent the afternoon looking over the town, taking supper that evening at the Alsbach cafe. They left on the night train with the Bates county contingent. They were Otis Power, F. L. Bruce, J. G. Lloyd, Albert Speaks, Chester Callahan, Loren Wineland, Marion A. Cranham, Orville C. Holt, Burnham Holloway, Harry Henderson, Wm. Heine and Oscar Wineland.

They were a fine looking lot of men and will give a good account of themselves when they get a chance at the home.

## U. S. GUARDS TO RECRUIT 15,000

12,000 Drafted Men, Unfit for War Service, Put in Organization.

Washington, May 11.—Organization of the United States guards was resumed today by the war department's militia bureau. The department has placed at the disposal of Major General Jesse McI. Carter, chief of the militia bureau, 12,000 drafted men, who, after training with the National Guard or national army divisions, have been found disqualified physically for general military service.

It is intended to recruit twenty-five battalions of four companies each, a total of 15,000 men. When the project was first approved some weeks ago, twelve companies were organized and are now in service. Volunteer enlistments will be accepted to a limited degree through the regular army recruiting offices, but only men who have had prior military service and who can produce the best discharges will be eligible.

The twenty-five battalions will be distributed among the military departments as follows:

Northeastern department, 3; eastern department, 9; southeastern, 2; central, 2; southern, 5; western, 4.

There will be required in all 775 officers, and these will be commissioned upon recommendation by General Carter, who will base his action on the result of examinations conducted by boards convened by department commanders.

The services of the organization will be utilized to release an equal number of federal troops now engaged in guard duty at munition plants and shipyards. The men in the force will not be used on the battlefields of Europe "for the present," officials of the war department said.

The United States guards will be armed with the Russian rifles and ammunition and will carry the old model of infantry equipment.

### Advertising.

In all of your newspaper advertising, and in every piece of direct advertising issued by your store, include one of these slogans, under the caption:

THE UNITED STATES FOOD ADMINISTRATION SAYS:

1. Unless we can increase the consumption of potatoes 75 per cent, 30,000,000 bushels will spoil within the next few months. It's criminal to allow food to be wasted in America while part of the world is starving. Eat more potatoes and less wheat!

2. All who can should give up wheat and eat other things. Are you one who can't?

3. Uncle Sam is the quartermaster of a hungry world. He is playing square. Eat more potatoes and help him send more wheat to the fighters.

4. Must you have a policeman stand over you while you eat? Why not save wheat voluntarily?

5. We are asked to share our plenty with those who are fighting our battle. It would make little difference which side of the Atlantic we lived on if Germany won. Eat more potatoes and corn. Our fighters need the wheat.

6. Are you so comfortably fixed that you can afford to eat what you please? You still can't afford to eat what your country needs. Your Country Needs Wheat.

7. Your Government asks you to prove that free people can give voluntary service. If Germany should win this war you would be obeying orders very shortly. Give wheat to Those Who Are Protecting Your Freedom.

8. American soldiers are facing discomfort, disease and death to protect you. Must they face hunger also? Do you think you need wheat more than they do?

9. EAT POTATOES.

10. SAVE WHEAT.

11. We have hundreds of items of foodstuffs in plenty. The Government asks for WHEAT to win the war. Isn't there something else you can eat?

12. All the blood, all the heroism, all the money, all the munitions in the world will not win this war unless our armies are fed. The Food Administration has undertaken to feed them with the voluntary help of loyal Americans. Are you doing your share?

### Elkhart News.

Glad to hear from Elkhart No. 2. Come again.

Frank Lankford has been sick the past week.

Mr. Lacy, on the Holland farm, found a den with five young wolves in it recently. He is keeping them for pets.

Ona Goode helped Mrs. Dave Lankford last week.

Seigel Arnold and wife of Kansas City, came down Monday for a visit with his father, E. Arnold. They returned home Saturday.

The Farmers Club received their carload of binder twine last Tuesday.

Dave Roby had quite an accident while coming home from Adrian Saturday night. His team ran off of a bridge just south of town breaking the doubletires and leaving Dave and the buggy in a ditch. The buggy was damaged some and the harness torn up but no one was injured.

There was so C. E. at Fairview Sunday night on account of the graduation exercises at Adrian.

BROWN EYES.

# It's Easier to Pay as You Go!

If you can save from 20 to 50 per cent it would even pay you to borrow money for 8 per cent than to pay a profit to some one of 20 to 50 per cent. "Money Saved is Money Made."

Watch the Grocery market like you watch the produce market.

Now is the time to lay in your supply for harvest, for a good many things will be off the market in 30 to 60 days.

## GRANITEWARE

has been discontinued—when we sell what we have and the jobbers stock is gone you will not be able to buy until the war is over.

## OUR GARAGES

Our Garages at Butler and Adrian are equipped with the best mechanics. We are equipped for the following work: Overhauling Motors and Mechanical work of all kinds; Overhauling and Charging Batteries; mend any old Radiator, no difference how bad; vulcanize your old Casings and Tubes; half sole your old casings and get another guarantee for 3500 miles on same Casings; do your electrical work, any kind; welding, oxygen carbon burning, aluminum welding as good as new.

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## EARN 14 CENTS A DAY; HAS WIFE AND BABY

And Yet This True Story Has a Happy Ending.

Even a Frenchman sometimes loses, for awhile at least, his "unfailing" sense of humor.

Take, for instance, the case of a man from Lille, a soldier, Waeltele by name and only twenty-three. He had done pretty well, for the youngster had already his own printing shop in that northern French town, which is still inside the German lines. In the trenches Waeltele developed tuberculosis, and he was sent to a hospital at Grenoble.

There he was considered incurable, and after the usual three months of treatment he was granted his 14 cents a day pension. Said his fatherly army doctor, "My son, you can perhaps cure yourself if you will live in the mountains, if you will eat plenty of nourishing food and, above all, if you don't worry."

Waeltele should have smiled, but he didn't. He was thinking of his baby and his wife—and his 14 cents. "Don't worry!" The humor of it entirely escaped him.

Then the Red Cross stepped in. He was found by an American woman with some American Red Cross money for just such cases, and within a few hours he no longer had need to worry. He was sent to the mountains at La-mure, in the French Alps, happy in the knowledge that his family was being cared for by these amazingly kind Americans.

And now the army doctor's words are coming true. Waeltele's lung is healing fast, and he is dreaming of another printing shop and of living again some day with that little family.

There have been over 400,000 new cases of tuberculosis in France since the war started, and to care for these cases and check the White Plague's spread is merely one of the big jobs the American Red Cross has set out to accomplish.

### LODGE DIRECTORY.

Edward M. A. Chapter Stated meetings on second and fourth Thursday nights in each month in hall in Fraternal Inn.

Royal and Select Masters—Butler Council, No. 12, meets on the second Tuesday in each month in hall in Fraternal Inn.

Knights Templar—Gouley Commandery, No. 39, meets second Saturday night in each month in hall in Fraternal Inn.

Women of The World—Maple Lodge, No. 1, at the call of the Sovereign Commander.

Commanding Veterans—Marshall's Club, No. 31, meets at the call of the commander.

W. A. W. Lodge, No. 24, meets at the call of the commander at 7:30 p. m.

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## Handling the Corn Crop



YOU CAN DO ALL THE WORK of raising a corn crop, or other crops planted in rows now without horses or mules. An Avery Tractor and an Avery Motor Cultivator will do all of the kinds of work you have to do.

AFTER YOU HAVE PREPARED your seed bed with the tractor, you can put the planter attachment on an Avery Motor Cultivator and plant your crop. Then take off the planter attachment and put on the Cultivator gangs and do all the cultivating of your crop with an Avery Motor Cultivator.

IN THE FALL you can pull your corn binder or corn picker with your tractor and harvest your corn crop. After harvesting you can belt up your tractor to a silage cutter, shredder or feed grinder and get your corn crop ready to feed in any way you wish or ready for market. If you wish to market it you can haul it with your tractor.

IT WAS NOT THOUGHT at first that motor power could do so much in handling a row crop, but it has been found of equally as much value as in handling a grain crop. It is this fact which is now causing many farmers, who at first hesitated about using motor power, to become strong advocates of motor farming and to buy tractors and motor cultivators in large numbers.

## Red Ball Garage

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